

Training Requirements for Distribution Water Treatment Certification Renewal

The February 2024 revision of the Vermont Water Supply Rule requires that water operators get a minimum number of training credit hours (TCHs) in particular categories of training classes. There are three categories outlined in the table below. At least 30% of TCHs must be in Category 1, at least 30% of TCHs be in Category 2, and the remaining 40% from any training category.

If a training class is relevant to multiple categories, the operator may choose which category to apply it towards. A class providing less than 4 TCHs can only be applied to one category. A class providing 4 TCHs or more may be applied to multiple categories in half-hour increments. The operator must provide documentation of credit hours earned, such as training certificates.

Distribution operators will be required to categorize their credit hours beginning with the 2028 renewal cycle..

Category	Category 1 Regulatory Public Health Distribution Worksite Safety	Credit Hours	Category 2 Treatment Management and/or Finance Operation and Maintenance Hydraulics (pumps, pressure, etc.)	Credit Hours	Category 3 All other approved training topics (e.g. math)	Credit Hours
Classes Taken						
	Total Category 1 (10 TCH minimum)		Total Category 2 (6 TCH minimum)		Total Category 3 (There is <u>no requirement</u> to take Category 3 classes. Operators may use these classes for some or all of the remaining credit hours after fulfilling the minimum requirements of Categories 1 and 2.)	
Total Category 1 + Category 2 + Category 3 (20 TCH minimum)						